

We find ourselves
among the Christmas lights
in snow white crystals moving
through the night. We reach
along the glass
of winter ice
and touch between
the circle of our arms.

Rebecca French, 1972

CALENDAR OF HOLIDAY EVENTS

- Dec. 17th: "Nostalgia, Marriage and Separation," 10 a.m. Portal Foster Center. Program coordinated by Sydney Mannerling.
- Dec. 17th: From noon to 4 p.m. in Portal Foster Center, Betty French and Caroline Steva will sell their pottery and prints. Sponsored by the Prairie Social Action committee. Plan to do some Xmas shopping there.
- Dec. 22nd: Carol singing with the Community of John XXIII, at the Portal Foster Center from 8 p.m. to... The singing and playing of carols will be followed by fellowship over punch and cookies. Many of us at Prairie will remember our previous warm meetings with the Community of John 23rd. They are an ecumenical Christian fellowship of 15-20 families who have been meeting in Madison since Vatican II. This lay group has no priest or minister, no permanent meeting place and stresses informal family centered services and social action. Both Prairie and John 23rd, as young congregations, share many of the same joys and problems of a small, close fellowship. This is an opportunity to meet and learn from each other as well as indulge in some lusty singing. No provision has been made for young children, as this service is aimed at adult and youth. For more information, call Ruth Calden, 233-5717.
- Dec. 24th: Family Christmas Eve service at 10 a.m. at Portal Foster Center. Bring something special you would like to hang as an ornament on the tree. Program by Bruce Bashore.
- Dec. 24th: Joint vespers service at First Society's meeting house beginning at 4:30 p.m. Not for children.
- Dec. 28th: Program meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Dan Willard's, 2217 West Lawn Ave.
- Dec. 29th: Annual Christmas party at Ted and Rebecca Clark's at 8 p.m., 1134 Waban Hill.
- Dec. 31st: A psychological approach to personal renewal. 10 a.m. at Portal Foster Center. Program by Bruce Bashore. No church school.
- Jan. 7th: Games and chatter and things like that. Program 10 a.m. coordinated by Al Nettleton.
- Jan. 14th: Unitarianism 1973. Program by Vivian Meyer.

